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-- PATENT --

Applicants: **Chien et al.** Docket No.: **40655.1300**

Serial No.: **09/834,478**; Confirmation No.: **2560** Group Art Unit: **2162**

Filing Date: **April 13, 2001** Examiner: **TBA**

Title: **A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR USING LOYALTY POINTS**

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention **A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR USING LOYALTY POINTS**, the specification of which:

is attached hereto.

was filed on April 13, 2001 as Application Serial No. 09/834,478 and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Priority Not Claimed

NONE

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

<u>60/197,296</u> Application Number	<u>April 14, 2000</u> Filing Date
<u>60/200,492</u> Application Number	<u>April 28, 2000</u> Filing Date
<u>60/201,114</u> Application Number	<u>May 2, 2000</u> Filing Date

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of any United States application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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As a below named inventor, I hereby appoint **Thomas J. Finn (Reg. 48,066)** and the following attorneys to prosecute the above-captioned United States patent application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and with the resulting patent, individually and collectively:

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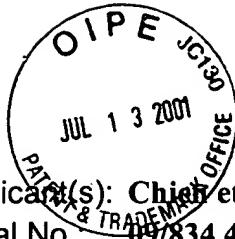
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**POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE
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AMERICAN EXPRESS TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES COMPANY, INC. ("Assignee"), a corporation having a place of business at American Express Tower, World Financial Center, New York, New York 10285-4900 certifies that to the best of Assignee's knowledge and belief, it is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the above-captioned United States patent application and represents that the undersigned is a representative authorized and empowered to sign on behalf of the Assignee.

Ownership of the above-identified patent application is established by virtue of the following documentary evidence that has been reviewed by the undersigned:

An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified above. The assignment for which a copy thereof is attached.

AMERICAN EXPRESS TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES COMPANY, INC., the Assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the above-captioned United States patent application and all inventions disclosed and claimed therein, hereby appoints as its attorneys to prosecute the above-captioned United States patent application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and with the resulting patent, individually and collectively:

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